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RELEASE OF IDIS 2.0 – THE BOARD'S NEW ELECTRONIC FILING PROGRAM

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, August 19, 2010 - The State Board of Elections has released its new electronic filing program; it is available for download from the Board's website, www.elections.il.gov. Illinois' electronic filing system has long been touted as one of the top electronic filing systems in the country and with the changes made to this program it will ensure Illinois' ability to remain at the top. This has been a priority for the Information Technology and the Campaign Disclosure Divisions as they prepare to implement recent changes to the Campaign Finance Act. The Board encourages political committees to download IDIS 2.0 as soon as possible, but not later than December 1st, as the new program is necessary to comply with new provisions of the law that take effect on January 1, 2011.

Some of the features of IDIS 2.0 are:

- 1. Internet access ensures that a committee can upload a report with ease.
- 2. Updates to the program will be downloaded each time you open your program if you are on the internet.
- 3. Reports filed, reports due, and future reports are automatically listed.
- 4. You can search entities, receipts, and expenditures and print or export them to a text or .xml file.
- Changes to previous entries may be done quickly, and will trigger an amended report, if necessary.

- 6. The report validator allows you to go directly to an error to correct it.
- 7. IDIS HELP is simple, but detailed, and may be printed.

Downloading and installing IDIS 2.0 may take several minutes. There are two versions on the website with instructions regarding which version to choose and how to complete the download and installation. If you have problems downloading and installing IDIS 2.0, please contact the Board at 217-782-4141.

The Board will offer training in both the Springfield and Chicago offices beginning August 23rd. To register for training to be held in the Springfield office, please contact Katie Miller at 217-558-2075 or kmiller@elections.il.gov. To register for training to be held in the Chicago office, please contact Monique Franklin at 312-814-6447 or mfranklin@elections.il.gov. **Pre-registration is required as space is limited.**

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